

P.G. #70-34
Holland-Green House
9944 Elm Street, Lanham, Md.
Priv/Occ/Res/Good

ca. 1914

The Holland-Green house is a two-bay two-and-one-half-story, frame "four-square" house. Entrance is through the first bay of the south (main) facade. The house has a hipped roof, with a small pyramidal hipped dormer centered on the roof ridge. The second story windows are 2/2.

The Holland-Green house was one of the early residences built in Lincoln, a suburban community of middle class Blacks established in 1908 by the Lincoln Land and Improvement Company. Many of the early houses in the Lincoln community were built by the brothers Frank and Benjamin Holland, carpenters. In 1914, Frank Holland purchased his own lot, and shortly thereafter constructed his home, somewhat smaller than but similar to the already-constructed Calloway house across the street. Holland served as trustee of the Bethel A.M.E. Church (later Seaton Memorial), and was an officer of the Citizens Association of Lincoln. His home is a good example of a typical, modest residence in an early planned suburban community of middle-class Blacks.

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Holland-Green House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 9944 Elm Street ☐ not for publication

city, town Lanham ☐ vicinity of / Lincoln congressional district

state Maryland county P.G.

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Jane K. Green

street & number 9944 Elm Street telephone no.:

city, town Lanham state and zip code Maryland

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. P. G. County Courthouse liber 728

street & number Main Street folio 363

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) Black History

Specific dates ca. 1914 Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

In 1914, Frank Holland purchased the lot on which the residence of Jane Green stands. This house, as well as many others in the Lincoln-Vista area, was constructed by brothers, Frank and Benjamin Holland. The Holland Brothers were professional carpenters and worked in close association with Isaiah T. Hatton, architect and community resident. At this writing very little is known about the lives of Frank or Benjamin Holland. Frank Holland, however, was a key figure not only in the construction of homes in Lincoln, but community activities as well.

In 1913, Frank Holland, along with W.A. Davis, T.J. Calloway, and William Freeman, as trustees for Bethel AME Church congregation, purchased a lot in Lincoln which would ultimately become Seaton Memorial AME Church.

In 1916, Frank Holland served on the Executive Committee of the first Citizens Association in Lincoln. When the community organized to raise funds for school construction in 1920, Frank Holland served as Secretary for that body.

In 1927, Edward and Julia Gibson purchased the lot and house from his widow, Susie Holland, who by then was living in Montclair, New Jersey.

The significance of the Holland-Green House lies in the energies of a total community engaged in Black self-help strategies of the period during which the influence of Booker T. Washington (a personal friend of Calloway's) and W.E.B. Dubois (who had acquaintances in Lincoln) was felt.

Side Note: Jane Green, Granddaughter of Edward and Julia Gibson, is also mother of Linda Green, song stylist and female lead vocal of the singing duo "Peaches and Herb". Linda Green grew up in this home and lived through her teens in the community of Lincoln.

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10. Geographical Data

Quadrangle scale _____

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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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Prince George's County
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